

FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. (42139)

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ANNOUNCEMENT REGARDING TEMPORARY POSITIONS
FOR RADIO OPERATORS IN THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

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A Civil Service examination is open now for radio operator positions in the Federal Communications Commission. In view of the emergency, the Federal Communications Commission is prepared to accept applications from licensed commercial operators and amateurs for appointment as radio operators in the field service, with the understanding that those selected will be given temporary employment for ninety days and examined during that time by the Civil Service Commission. The temporary employees who pass the Civil Service examination, and are reached in the order of their standing on the eligible list, will receive indefinite probationary appointment on a temporary basis as the present emergency may justify.

Applicants receiving appointments must defray the expense of travel to the city or town designated by the Commission as their headquarters. The Commission reserves the right to make transfers from time to time according to the best interests of the service. A few positions will be available outside the Continental United States to operators who pass the Civil Service examination. Those who are willing to accept appointment in Alaska, Hawaii, and Puerto Rico should indicate their order of preference. Order of preference may also be shown for regions within the Continental United States, as, for example, "West Coast", "Southeast," etc.

Temporary appointees are also required to pass a physical examination which is conducted at U.S. Public Health stations throughout the United States.

Operators will be required to travel in Commission field cars on official business, and when operating outside of the limits of their headquarters

station will be paid five dollars per diem for subsistence.

Operators in the Commission's service are required to stand a rotating watch which involves work on Saturday afternoons, Sundays and holidays.

Persons holding radiotelegraph first class licenses will be appointed to fill positions at \$1800 per annum and those holding radiotelegraph second class licenses at \$1620 per annum.

Amateur licensees desiring to file applications for positions as operators in the Commission's field service must possess the following qualifications:

- (a) Must be at least 21 years of age and not over 55 unless they have veterans' preference.
- (b) Must hold an amateur operator's license for a continuous period of at least five years prior to making application for employment.
- (c) Must demonstrate in a Commission field office their ability to transmit and receive plain English text in the International Morse Code at the rate of 20 words per minute.

The salary for amateurs who qualify for appointment is \$1620 per annum. A deduction of $3\frac{1}{2}$ per cent is made from all salaries toward retirement, but this is returned if the employee leaves the government service before retirement.

Applications should be submitted on U.S. Civil Service Application Form 8 to the Secretary, Federal Communications Commission, Washington, D.C. Complete information must also be filed with respect to citizenship and fingerprints under Federal Communications Commission Order No. 75.

Further information relative to these positions may be obtained by writing to the Federal Communications Commission or to the U.S. Civil Service Commission, Washington, D.C.